IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MAY 4, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. BAYARD submitted the following

REPORT.

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of the democratic members of the legislature of the State of Ohio, have considered the same, and submit the following report:

The memorial recommends the increase of the salaries of the district judges, of both the districts in the State of Ohio, to thirty-five hundred dollars each.

The reasons assigned for this increase are the inadequacy, in the opinion of the memorialists, of the present salaries, and the increase within the last few years of the expenses of living in the cities of Cincinnati and Cleveland.

The salaries of all the district judges of the United States were revised and increased, under a general law, approved February 17, 1855, and the committee are not aware that the cost of living has been increased since that time, either in Cincinnati or Cleveland. The revision of salaries made in 1855 was the result of full inquiry, and necessarily involved the concession of great differences of opinion amongst members of Congress; and no change of circumstances has since occurred which, in the opinion of the committee, renders it expedient that the general law then passed should, in so short a period, be modified or altered.

The conclusion therefore is, that the recommendation of the memorialists ought not to be adopted.

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